

Tempe Art in Private Development



SUNDT Corporate Office

1636 W. Alameda Drive

Laurie Lundquist

ShadeArray, 2007

Concrete and fabric

Artist website: www.LaurieLundquist.com

Photo: Craig Smith

Description: ShadeArray is a site-integrated artwork that defines the outdoor café area of the new SUNDT Corporate Office. The sculpture consists of three asymmetrical concrete columns and three shade sails that tie back to the building. The 10' columns are a tapered wing shape with a carved relief on the west side. The artist worked with owner representatives and architects at Smith Group to integrate the artwork into the overall site plans for the new SUNDT Corporate Office.

Artist biography: Laurie Lundquist is an artist and educator who brings a deep interest in natural systems and engineering to the design process. Environmental issues are often a subtext in her sculptural installations and planning process. Lundquist's work is concept driven and she chooses from a wide variety of materials and methods to integrate artwork into a given site. She thinks that designing artwork into municipal projects can reinforce the connection to place by drawing on specific observations, local memories, and visible landmarks to underscore the identity of a given place. As a design team artist, Lundquist has collaborated effectively with architects, engineers, and planners to incorporate art into the overall design of numerous public projects.

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